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SUBJECT: KYODO PRESS LISTS TOP 1975 NEWS STORIES

1. DECEMBER 22 RELEASE LISTED KYODO NEWS AGENCY'S CHOICES FOR TOP TEN FOREIGN AND TOP TEN DOMESTIC NEWS SERIES FOR 1975. NUMBER TWO DOMESTIC STORY WAS EMPEROR AND EMPRESS VISIT TO U.S. OF TOP FOREIGN NEWS STORIES OF DIRECT USG INTEREST, END OF FIGHTING IN INDOCHINA (VN, LAOS, CAMBODIA) WAS TOP, RAMBOUILLET CONFERENCE SECOND, CSCE IN HELSINKI FOURTH, APOLLO-SOYUZ FLIGHT SIXTH, UNGA RESOLUTIONS ON KOREA SEVENTH, FORD ANNOUNCEMENT OF PACIFIC DOCTRINE TENTH. OTHERS: SUEZ CANAL OPENING THIRD, OPEC 10-PERCENT PRICE INCREASE FIFTH, FRANCO DEATH EIGHTH, JANUARY REVISION OF RPCCONSTITUTION NINTH.

2. DOMESTIC NEWS STORIES OTHER THAN EMPEROR'S US VISIT: (1) RECENT 8-DAY TRANSPORTATION STRIKE, (3) JAPANESE ECONOMIC STAGNATION, (4) ARREST OF CORPORATION-OFFICE BOMBER GROUP, (5) FINANCIAL PINCH OF PREFECTURAL AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT, (6) EXPOSURE OF HUMAN AILMENTS FROM TOXIC SUBSTANCES IN ENVIRONMENT, (7) STALLING OF MAJOR BILLS IN NATIONAL DIET, (8) EXPIRATION
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OF STATUTE OF LIMITATIONS ON 7-YEAR-OLD 300-MILLION-YEN BONUS

HEIST, (9) BANKRUPTCY OF KOHJIN COMPANY, AND (10) 10-YEAR
AGREEMENT BETWEEN JAPAN COMMUNIST PARTY AND SOKA GAKKAI
(WHICH HAS ALREADY BROKEN DOWN).

3. THIS IS FIRST OF MAJOR JAPANESE MEDIA OUTLETS TO ISSUE
TRADITIONAL YEAR-END RELEASE OF ITS RATINGS OF NEWS STORIES.
OTHERS WILL BE REPORTED AS THEY WARRANT ATTENTION.
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